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OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AT GCSE

Pupils achieving a minimum of 10 A*- A grades at GCSE

Caoimhe Agnew

Dylan Brown

Jack Clydesdale

Zoe-Lee Elmore

Carenza Gamble

Sophie Hinds

Jacob Longley

Rachel McCullagh

Deborah Moore

Sarah Moore

Naomi Patterson

Ella Shields

Samantha Todd

Paddy Watson

Katy Allen

Jonny Campbell

Connie Crothers

Elektra Epanomeritakis

Julia Hadlo

Ella Hine

Stuart McCollam

Abigail Menown

Leah Moore

Anna Parker

Rebecca Rice

Madeleine Taylor

Imogen Uprichard

Cerys Wilson

Ben Andrews

Matthew Chambers

Becky Earney

James Falconer

Matthew Halliday

Thomas Jordan

Lauren McCoosh

Rachel Mooney

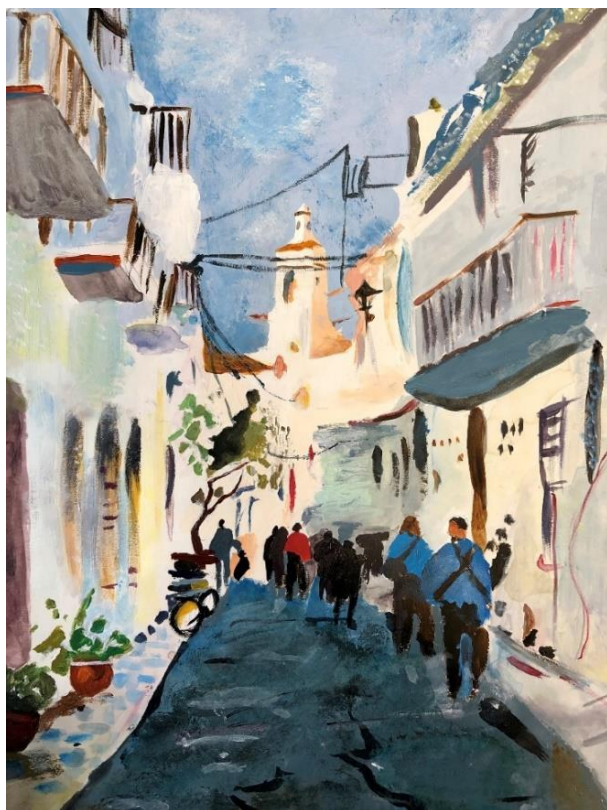
Sam W Moore

Ewan Patterson

Alfie Shanks

Sarah Tinsley

Christina Wallace



Claire McRoberts Year 12



GCSE CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Ben Abraham
Ben Andrews
Rosie Bell
Dylan Brown
Zac Carey
Jack Clydesdale

Luke Conroy
Jack Crawford
Amber Currie
Lauren Dickson
Cody Downey
Tinashe Dune

Elektra Epanomeritakis
Rhianne Fisher
Carenza Gamble
Connie Gilmore
Jude Graham
Lucas Gregson

Fraser Harrower
Ross Henderson
Sophie Hinds
Amy Jamison
Tom Jolly
Philip Kennedy

Callum Lamont
Mael Lidasan
Jacob Longley
Nicholas Macklin-Copeland
Ben Marks
Ben McAfee

Thomas McCann
Shannon McCluskey
Tori McCoosh
Rachel McCullagh
Daniel McIlhenny
Kyle McGuiggan

Caoimhe Agnew
Lucy Andrews
Todd Benson
Laura Brown
Matthew Chambers
Rebecca Coates

Scott Coulter
Connie Crothers
James Cushnahan
Lee Dickson
Ethan Dunbar
Becky Earney

Chloe Evans
Amy-Lee Forrest
Ben Gilliland
Ryan Given
Christopher Grattan
Julia Hadlo

Oliver Heath
Tabitha Hendrick
Ella Hine
Michal Jaroszynski
Thomas Jordan
Ryan Kerins

Holly Latewood
Victoria Lightbody
Zara Lytle
Noah Magee
Thulani Matangi
Finn McAlinden

John McCaughey
Stuart McCollam
Ellie McCoy
Matthew McDermott
Emma McFaul
Evan McIlroy

Katy Allen
Joshua Baird
Jack Bonar
Jonny Campbell
Niamh Clougherty
Caleb Connor

Rueben Coupe
Ellen Curran
Amy Daye
Cameron Doak
Amy Duncan
Zoe-Lee Elmore

James Falconer
David Furphy
Ethan Gilliland
Peter Glenn
Matthew Greer
Matthew Halliday

Jake Hegarty
Finn Hewitt
Caoimhe Hull
Alwyn John
Carter Kennedy
Lewis Kerr

Karis Law
Zak Lindsay
Paulina Mach
Nathan Mehaffy
Marcin Mazurek
Emily McAuley

Anna McClune
Lauren McCoosh
Sophie McCue
Jamie McDonnell
Faye McGrogan
Oliver McKee



GCSE CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Caleb McKenna
Claire McRoberts
Joshua Millar
Deborah Moore
Sam D. Moore
Cara Moorhead

Harry Murphy
Erika Nicmane
Anna Parker
Naomi Patterson
Finn Rankin
Harry Robb

Nicola Ruddell
Alfie Shanks
Ella Shields
Abigail Spratt
Hollie Stone
Evan Thompson

James Thorpe
Daniel Tubman
Michael Waite
Harry Wallace
Jacob Williams
Alana Winchester

Orren McKenning
Lauren Menary
Rachel Mooney
Jack Moore
Sam W. Moore
Ben Murphy

James Murphy
Archie O'Neill
Elijah Patterson
Stephen Perry
Rebecca Rice
Adam Roberts

Joshua Rush
Scott Shellard
Niamh Slattery
Adam Stafford
Josue Stone Abad
Pierce Thompson

Sarah Tinsley
Emma Turner
Taylor Walker
Paddy Watson
Lauren Williamson
Harry Wright

Orla McMahon
Abigail Menown
Alex Moore
Leah Moore
Sarah Moore
Erin Murphy

Abby Mussen
Avinash Pall
Ewan Patterson
Matthew Prentice
Ellie Ritchie
Abbie Robinson

Katie Scott
Grace Sheridan
Thomas Spence
Jamie Stephenson
Madeline Taylor
Caetano Thompson Castro

Samantha Todd
Imogen Uprichard
Christina Wallace
Anneliese Whiteside
Cerys Wilson
Zak Lukasz



Luke Conroy Year 12



OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AT A LEVEL

Pupils achieving a minimum of 3 A*- A grades at A-Level

Kornelija Aidukeviciute

Alex Bateson

Jasmine Cairns

Mya Cheung

Michael Dane

Jessica Fitton

Lauren Hynds

Jack Kilburn

Owen McClure

Peter Milligan

Elizabeth Murphy

Oliver Patterson

Alexandra Robb

Rebekah Snoddy

William Thompson

Thomas Allen

Anna Brown

Beth Campbell

Thomas Crosby

Andrew Dorman

Emily Hayes

Becca Irvine

Holly Mackin

Harry McMeekin

Laura Moore

Olivia Palmer

Bethany Pierce

Andrew Robb

Matthew Taylor

Anna Trimble

Rebecca Wallace

Rebecca Ayerst

Jay Buntin

Sarah Cherry

Reuben Crothers

Chloe Finlay

Lewis Higginson

Kimberley Johnston

Bailey Mallon

Eve McMullan

Abby Mullan

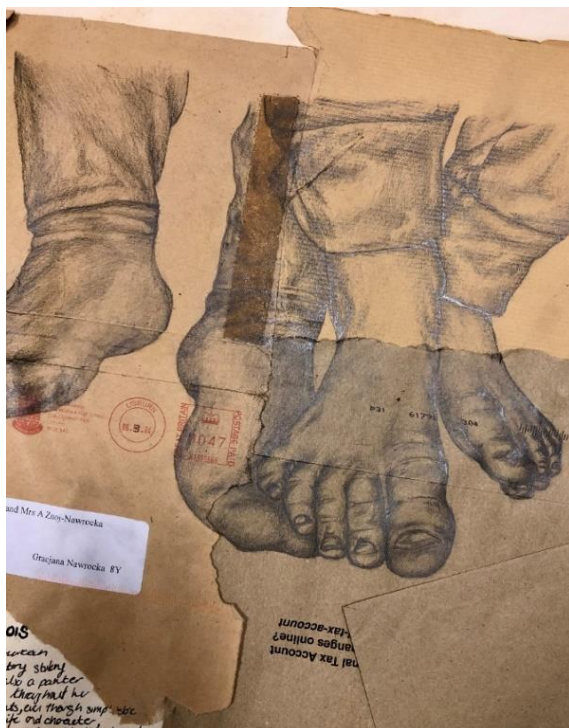
Ben Parker

Christopher Quinn

Alice Salter

Ailis Thompson

Chloe Turtle



Gracjana Nawrocka Year 14



A LEVEL CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Patrick Adair
Aoife Anderson
Rebekah Beatty
Anna Boyles
Jay Buntin
Jasmine Cairns

Sarah Cherry
Jack Cranston
Reuben Crothers
Lara Cushnahan
Nathan Doak
Bethany Dumican

Joel Easton
Esther Follis
Erin Hamilton
Anna Hewitt
Jack Houston
Daniel Hynds

Becca Irvine
Jack Kilburn
Holly Mackin
Ross McAllister
Owen McClure
Victoria McGladdery

Bailey McKeown
Imogen McLernon
Harry McMeekin
Charlotte McRoberts
Frankie Moore
Kate Moorhead

Elizabeth Murphy
Lewis Nelmes
Holly Parkinson
Kyle Patton
Adam Priestley
Andrew Robb

Kornelija Aidukeviciute
Rebecca Ayerst
Zoe Belch
Anna Brason
James Bushnell
Beth Campbell

Mya Cheung
Thomas Crosby
Jade Crozier
Michael Dane
Andrew Dorman
Joel Dundas

Chloe Finlay
Reuben Gallagher
Emily Hayes
Lewis Higginson
Sarah Houston
Lauren Hynds

Kimberley Johnston
Rebecca Lamont
Bailey Mallon
Trinity McCallan
Laura McCullough
Kara McIlroy

Jay McKnight
Lauren McLoughlin
Eve McMullan
Peter Milligan
Laura Moore
Orla Mulholland

Matthew Murray
Olivia Palmer
Oliver Patterson
Eden Pennington
Christopher Quinn
Alice Salter

Thomas Allen
Alex Bateson
Rhianna Bolton
Anna Brown
Mark Cahill
Ben Carson

Ben Clarke
Zach Croskery
Tim Curragh
Jack Dillon
Adam Duff
Melissa Dunn

Jessica Fitton
Blythe Gill
Alex Hewitt
Luke Holden
Owen Hughes
Hanna Jones

Erin Kerr
Montana Law
Matthew Mawhinney
Dean McCavery
Ruth McFaul
Ashley McKee

Jessica McLean
Clara McMahan
Jamie McNeight
Luke Montgomery
Lisa Moore
Abby Mullan

Gracjana Nawrock
Ben Parker
Rachel Patterson
Bethany Pierce
Alexandra Robb
Caitlin Scullion

A LEVEL CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

Alex Simpson
Rebekah Snoddy
Matthew Taylor
Rachel Thompson
Chloe Turtle
Rebecca Wallace
Winnie Wong

Jake Simpson
Robin Stephens
Ailis Thompson
William Thompson
Eric Vuong
Kirsten Williamson
Amy Woo

Joshua Sloan
Cameron Stewart
Elle Thompson
Anna Trimble
Ellie Waite
Owen Windrum

7 years ago ... some of our Year 14 back in Year 8



In affectionate memory of Joshua Fletcher

MUSIC

The Music Department was all set for a fabulous year in 2019-2020. After a very successful tour the previous June to Corpus Christi College in Cambridge, the Honours began the year with an hour recital in Thiepval Barracks. The group had 5 days to develop the close harmony, choral blend for which they are well known. The event was made up of various a cappella works, and solo items and the audience were extremely receptive to the high quality musicianship presented by the group.

As term continued, all parts of the Music Department were busy. From the Year 8 concert in October, to the preparations for the annual #decoratewithmusic programme in December, the programme of events was quite demanding. Six lower 6th students travelled each Tuesday to Parkview Special school to join the sensory choir. This is a deeply rewarding aspect of the Music Department's social engagement. The Honours joined the sensory choir, the marathon choir and the school choir for their Christmas assembly.

The orchestral honours and choral honours performed for a captive audience at the Royal Victoria Hospital for Sick Children, the atrium resounding with Christmas cheer, the sound wafting up through the wards and into the ICU.

The Carol concert in St Patrick's featured some new carols, The Sussex carol in particular, and ended with the tradition procession of Carol of the Bells. Prize day featured a fabulous jazz performance of Jingle Bells, à la Michael Bublé and the Puppini sisters.



The new year, with the shadow of Covid 19 in the background, got off to a great start, Open Morning performances were well received and included Orchestral, Jazz and Choral favourites. We were invited to perform a concert for the Lord Mayor in the Island Centre at the start of February, in collaboration with Pond Park Primary school. This was a fabulous evening of fund raising for the Air Ambulance, with great variety of performances, from Julie Piggott's spellbinding performance of 'Meditation' by Thaïs, to Georgia Nicolls and Erin Bailey's 'Flower duet' from 'Lakmé'. The Honours sang a variety of Irish and close harmony songs, and the orchestra gave a fine rendition of 'The Dambusters' march'.



As March approached, our events had to end, lockdown stopped us in our tracks. We created a solo recital series for upload each Friday, and ended the year with 'La Bamba' recorded at distance, and mixed by Isaac McIlwrath, and then the Honours performed a remotely recorded song, 'That lonesome road'. It was with great sadness that we were unable to say farewell and to sing once again with last year's leavers, we wish them all well and hope that music remains a large part of their lives.

The Music Tutors played a fabulous role during lockdown, keeping students motivated, working on Zoom and ensuring that students had access to exam materials and the understood the new forms of online examination. We are extremely grateful to them for persisting in extremely difficult circumstances.



THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

In August 2019 two Gold Expedition Groups from WHS packed themselves into a minibus and departed Lisburn for the Lake District. Following a day of travel they would spend another day familiarizing themselves with the glory and the challenges that their Gold Qualifying Expedition would throw at them. Both groups would have to battle the elements as they navigated this breathtaking yet unknown landscape in pursuit of a dry campsite and some much needed nourishment. Both groups displayed great determination and resilience in completing their Gold Expedition and we are very pleased that so many of them have now received their Gold Award.



Duke of Edinburgh
Gold Group
Lake District
August 2019

Gold Award Recipients 2019/20

Holly Parkinson

Rebecca Sloan

Silver Award Recipients 2019/20

Ewan Cowie

Mostafa El Dibany

Nicole McCavery



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2020

Queen's University Belfast

Kornelija Aidukeviciute, BDS Dentistry.
Thomas Allen, MSci Applied Mathematics and Physics
Alex Bateson, BSc Business Management (with Placement).
Jay Buntin, BA International Relations and Politics.
Jasmine Cairns, BDS Dentistry.
Elizabeth Campbell, MB Medicine.
Mya Cheung, MB Medicine.
Jack Cranston, BEng Mechanical Engineering.
Zach Croskery, BSc Economics with Finance.
Reuben Crothers, LLB Law.
Jade Crozier, BSc Biomedical Science.
Michael Dane, LLB Law with Politics.
Andrew Dorman, MEng Product Design Engineering (with a Year in Industry).
Chloe Finlay, BSc Biomedical Science.
Reuben Gallagher, BEng Mechanical Engineering (with a Year in Industry).
Blyth Gill, BA English.
Emily Hayes, BSc Architecture.
Luke Holden, BSc Economics with Finance.
Lauren Hynds, MEng Computer Science (including Professional Experience).
Daniel Hynds, BA Film Studies and Production.
Rebecca Irvine, MPharm Pharmacy
Kimberley Johnston, MPharm Pharmacy
Erin Kerr, BA Anthropology.
Jack Kilburn, BSc Computing and Information Technology.
Bailey Mallon, MEng Software and Electronic Systems.
Matthew Mawhinney, BEng Chemical Engineering (with a Year in Industry).

Ross McAllister, BEng Software Engineering with Digital Technology.
Trinity McCallan, BSc Professional Nursing (Children and Young People's).
Jay McKnight, BSc Computing and Information Technology.
Jessica McLean, BSc Professional Nursing (Mental Health).
Imogen McLernon, BSc International Business with Spanish.
Ciara McMahon, BA French and Spanish.
Harry McMeekin, LLB Law.
Peter Milligan, BSc Finance (with a Year in Industry).
Elizabeth Murphy, BEng Software Engineering with Digital Technology.
Gracjana Nawrocka, BSc Nursing (Adult).
Benjamin Parker, MB Medicine.
Oliver Patterson, MB Medicine.
Christopher Quinn, BEng Software Engineering with Digital Technology.
Andrew Robb, BEng Software Engineering with Digital Technology.
Alice Salter, LLB Law.
Jake Simpson, MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering.
Joshua Sloan, BSc Micro Biology.
Matthew Taylor, BA English and Philosophy.
Ailis-Rose Thompson, LLB Law with Politics.
Elle Thompson, BA English and Politics.
Chloe Turtle, MPharm Pharmacy.
Ellie Waite, BSc Biomedical Science.
Rebecca Wallace, MB Medicine.
Kirsten Williamson, MEng Computer Science including Professional Experience.

Stranmillis University College

Aoife Anderson, BA Early Childhood Studies.
Erin Hamilton, BSc Health, Physical Activity And Sport

Rebekah Snoddy, BA Religious Studies with Education.



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2020

Ulster University

Rhianna Bolton, BSc Criminology and Criminal Justice.
Anna Boyles, BA Art and Design (Foundation Year for Specialist Degrees).
Anna Brason, BSc Podiatry.
James Bushnell, BSc Finance and Investment Management.
Mark Cahill, BSc Biomedical Science.
Sarah Cherry, BSc Applied Biomedical Science (Pathology) with a Placement Year.
Ben Clarke, BSc Accounting (Pathways).
Tim Curragh, BSc Biomedical Engineering.
Adam Duff, BA History.
Bethany Dumican, BA Architecture.
Joel Dundas, BSc Real Estate.
Melissa Dunn, BA Graphic Design and Illustration.
Anna Hewitt, BSc Biomedical Engineering.
Stephen Houston, BSc Computing Technologies.
Sarah Houston, BSc Psychology with optional year.
Owen Hughes, LLB Law.

Rebecca Lamont, BSc Dietetics.
Dean McCavery, BSc Construction and Management.
Laura McCullough, BSc Business Studies.
Kara McIlroy, BSc Biomedical Engineering.
Bailey McKeown, BSc Architectural Technology and Management.
Luke Montgomery, BSc Sports and Exercise Science with optional placement year.
Kate Moorhead, BSc Applied Biomedical Science (Pathology) with a Placement Year.
Abby Mullan, BA English with Education.
Matthew Murray, BSc Artificial Intelligence.
Kyle Patton, BEng Architectural Engineering.
Cameron Stewart, BSc Computing (Software Systems Development).
Owen Windrum, BSc Computing Science with entry option at Foundation Year.
Hoi Yi Wong, BSc Physiotherapy.

Belfast Bible College

Bethany Pierce, BA Theology.

Belfast Metropolitan College

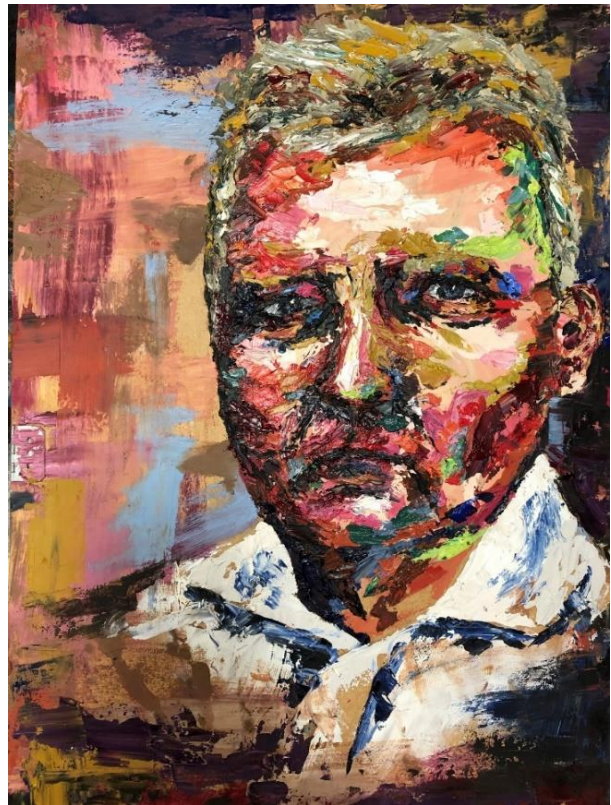
Lewis Higginson, Chemistry A level.
Orla Mulholland, Studying A levels.
Rachel Patterson, Studying A levels.
Eden Pennington, BSc Fashion Production and Business.

South Eastern Regional College

Robin Stephens, HNC Creative Media.

Ulster Rugby Academy

Ben Carson.
Reuben Crothers.
Neil Doak.



Anna Boyles Year 14



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2020

Cardiff Metropolitan University

Lauren McLoughlin, BA Events Management.

Durham University

Eve McMullan, BA Modern Languages and Cultures (with Year Abroad).

Lancaster University

Jessica Fitton, MBChB Medicine and Surgery.

Newcastle University

Rebecca Ayerst, BSc Sport and Exercise Science.

Anna Brown, LLB Law.

Alexandra Hewitt, BSc Speech and Language Therapy.

Alexandra Robb, MEng Chemical Engineering.

Cardiff University

Ruth McFaul, BA English Language and Spanish.

Falmouth University

Alexander Simpson, BA Game Development (Design).

Manchester Metropolitan University

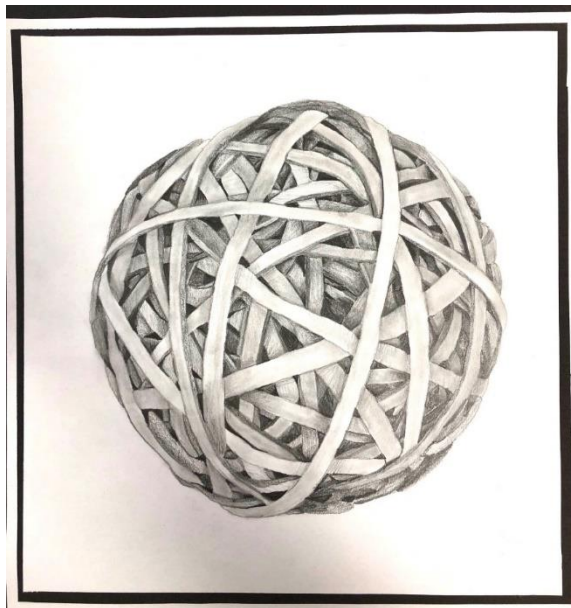
Frances Moore, BA Business Psychology.

Caitlin Scullion, BA Social Work.

Northumbria University

Holly Parkinson, BSc Applied Science.

(Foundation Year).



Zoe Belch Year 14

University of Bristol

Thomas Crosby, BSc Psychology.

Hoi Lam Woo, BVSc Veterinary Science.

University of Glasgow

Charlotte McRoberts, BSc Marine and Freshwater Biology.

Anna Trimble, MBChB Medicine.

University of Edinburgh

Olivia Palmer, MA French and German.

University of Leeds

Owen McClure, BA Film, Photography And Media.



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS 2020

University of Oxford

Laura Moore, BA French and Spanish.

University of South Wales

Ashley McKee, BA Computer Animation.

University of Southampton

Joel Easton, BA Film with Year Abroad.

University of Stirling

Rebekah Beatty, BA Film and Media.

Employment

Jack Dillon, Translink Higher Level

Apprenticeship Engineering.

Montana Law.

Victoria McGladdery.

Jamie McNeight.

Lisa Moore.

Lewis Nelmes.

Adam Priestley.

Rachel Thompson.

William Thompson.

Eric Voug.

Resitting A levels

Patrick Adair.

Lara Cushnahan.



Anna Boyles, Year 14.

SPORTS REPORTS

SENIOR BOYS RUGBY

The 2019-2020 Wallace High School 1st XV will be remembered as one of the most skilful and breathtakingly attack-minded squads ever to grace the pitches of The Wallace High School. They retained the ability to score tries from all areas of the pitch even in the most pressurised of situations and were able to win against all top Ulster Schools. However, on the other side of the ball, especially in The Schools' Cup Semi-Final victory over holders Methodist College (MCB), it was their attitude and physicality in defence which saw them through to The Schools' Cup Final.



Wallace HS Semi Final Squad Wednesday 4th March, 2020

The core of the squad, was undoubtedly, our Year 14 pupils, Reuben Crothers (Capt.), Harry McMeekin, Jamie McNeight, Joel Dundas, Nathan Doak, Jack Dillon, Lewis Nelmes and Ben Carson. In The Schools' Cup run, these were the go-to men who had experience and maturity to make decisions in pressurised situations and enabled the team to find a way to solve problems. Their need to win was contagious and adopted by the upcoming Year 12 and 13 pupils and facilitated the formation of a formidable squad.

The ability of our Year 14 pupils was evident from the early days in Year 8, when they were unbeaten throughout the season and won both the C.A.I. and Down H.S. Tournaments. In beating Willow Park in the final of the C.A.I. tournament they became the first Wallace team to win this prestigious competition.

The success of the 2019-2020 squad was not solely down to this year group. The skill progression, hard work and dedication of the Year 12 & 13 pupils in the squad was also a major factor in the success achieved. Pupils such as Charlie Irvine, Peter Heasley, Harry Wallace, Scott Wilson, Thomas Brolly, Finn Rankin and Cameron Doak all showed tremendous passion and commitment. With much of the attention going to our high flying year 14s, it was these pupils who developed

physicality, mental toughness, resilience and a desire to improve their personal performance. These guys, along with the other Year 12 and 13 members of the Senior squad will become the core players for future years and hopefully their experiences from this year will help them to further the rugby reputation and traditions of Wallace HS.

The season began with the opening fixture with St.Gerard's, Bray on Saturday 31st August. With so many players involved in Ulster Schools' matches, preparation had been affected and but it was a solid opening victory at home by 26-12. A 31-27 loss away to Ballymena Academy proved to be our only defeat of the season to Ulster opposition and this was quickly followed by victories versus CCB, Enniskillen RGS and RS Armagh. Further victories against MCB, RBAI, Ballymena Academy and Roscrea proved to be significant and added to the squad's belief and confidence as the 2020 Schools' Cup appeared on the horizon.

The Schools' Cup Campaign 2020

The Schools' Cup began on Saturday 8th February, 2020 with an away victory at Bangor GS by 33-6. Captain Reuben Crothers put in an immense performance and scored two tries, Harry McMeekin, Ben Carson and Nathan Doak scored a try apiece and Nathan Doak kicked four conversions. In the quarter-final, a very talented Enniskillen GS arrived at Wallace and in a tense affair, Wallace booked their semi-final place with a 19-10 victory thanks to tries from Cameron Doak, Finn Rankin and Peter Heasley. Nathan Doak kicked two conversions.

Schools' Cup Semi-Final

Around seven hundred pupils and staff left Wallace HS on a beautiful early March afternoon on thirteen buses. Expectation and excitement were palpable as face painting, supporter signs and chanting echoed around school. MCB were the cup holders and would not give up their title easily. We were not to be disappointed, as a cracking semi-final between two well drilled outfits graced the Kingspan Stadium.



Wallace started the game with intent and asked questions of MCB's defence and it was not long before Wallace got on the scoresheet through a well-taken Nathan Doak penalty.

The Belfast side had opportunities to come back into the game in the opening quarter, but Wallace's defence held firm through excellent tackling, organisation and accurate defensive ruck decision making. This gave Wallace a number of key turnovers which helped to alleviate pressure. However, after a prolonged attack from MCB, a fantastic cross-field kick allowed their right wing to go over for their first try.

Wallace soon responded, when centre Jack Dillon showed real acceleration to weave his way through the MCB defence to score under the posts.



Just a minute later, Dillon's centre partner, Ben Carson, created a further try on the stroke of half time, his strong running making it impossible for MCB's defence to stop.

Nathan Doak duly fired over both conversions to leave the half-time score:

Wallace HS 17 MCB 5



Wallace had to absorb a lot of pressure early in the second half, however Wallace's line out defence, tackling and the boot of Nathan meant the Belfast side couldn't turn pressure into points. Wallace scored their third try through the influential Jamie McNeight who went over in the corner after a fantastic team move involving multiple phases.

MCB capitalised on a yellow card to score their second try and followed this up with a converted try in the dying minutes. However, it was too little too late and not enough to snatch the lead from the Lisburn side.

Full-time score: Wallace High School 22 Methodist College Belfast 17

Wallace High School

15-9: Jamie McNeight, Harry Wallace, Jack Dillon, Ben Carson, Finn Rankin, Nathan Doak, Lewis Nelmes.

1-8: Cameron Doak, Joel Dundas, Scott Wilson, Thomas Brolly, Charlie Irvine, Peter Heasley, Harry McMeekin, Reuben Crothers (Capt.).

Replacements: Evan Gilliland, Robbie Davis, Nicholas Macklin-Copeland, Matthew Thompson, Philip Kennedy, Harvey Patterson, Carter McCluskey, Joel Wiseman, Ethan Dunbar.



A jubilant Wallace HS 1st XV after their Semi-Final Victory



Sadly, Wallace did not get the chance to play R.S. Armagh in The St. Patrick's Day final as the Coronavirus pandemic swept through the UK and Ireland and life for everyone changed immeasurably. As a result, the Schools' Cup was shared between the two schools.



1st XV Captain
Reuben Crothers
with the
Ulster Bank Schools' Cup

Representative Honours

Nathan Doak	Ulster A, Ireland U19 & Ulster U18
Reuben Crothers	Irish U18 Schools & Captain Ulster U19
Ben Carson	Irish U18 Schools, Ulster U18 Schools & Ulster U19
Joel Dundas	Ulster U18 Schools & Ulster U19,
Jamie McNeight	Ulster U18 Schools
Charlie Irvine	Irish U18 Schools & Ulster U18 Schools
Peter Heasley	Ulster U17 & Ulster U19
Finn Rankin	Ulster U18 Schools & Ulster U16

In a first for Wallace, in terms of numbers, we are very proud that Reuben Crothers, Nathan Doak and Ben Carson have signed Ulster Academy contracts and we look forward to following their progress in the years to come.





Thanks

Firstly, thanks must go to the tremendous work ethic, technical expertise and analysis of our Director of Rugby, Mr. Derek Suffern. His unfaltering focus on detail ensured our team was the best prepared group of rugby players ever to play in The Schools' Cup from Wallace HS. He was ably supported by forwards coaches Kyle and Zac McCall, backs coach Mr. Ian Latham, video analyst Mr. Alan Monteith, S&C Coach Tom Finn and Sports Psychologist Ben Best.

Indeed, all rugby coaches at Wallace HS, who have helped to coach these players at younger age groups, deserve credit for their hard work and dedication to improving our pupils' skill sets and helping to develop positive attitudes. Also, to our local rugby clubs and coaches who have started many of our players' rugby education at mini rugby. Your input cannot be underestimated.

Secondly, to the parents of our players, who bought into what we were doing as a rugby club. It was important that the school, coaches and players respected the parental effort and showed appreciation for it.

Thirdly to our Principal, Mrs. Deborah O'Hare, who has supported our rugby staff and players throughout the season and helped to develop a state of the art Strength and Conditioning Suite. Also, to our teaching staff, who came to support and supervise pupils at matches and also permitted players to be excused from classes. To our groundsman, Harry, who works hard through all weathers and has produced better and better pitches at Wallace HS each year.

Fourthly, to our sponsors, The Boulevard Banbridge and Kukri. Without your investment in the team, these achievements would not have occurred.

Finally, to all our pupils and supporters thanks for creating special memories for our players throughout the year, none better than the semi-final at Kingspan Stadium. Make sure you continue to support at our matches and follow us on twitter @wallacesport. You really do make a difference!

Mr.N.A.Hinds

SENIOR GIRLS HOCKEY

Wallace High School Girls' Hockey Club had another busy season with weekly training and fixtures accommodating in excess of 160 girls playing regularly. The highlight of the season, and "Team of the Year" undoubtedly belongs to the 2nd XI, who exited their cup competition but marched the whole way to the final of the Plate and fought hard to claim the Plate title in March, just prior to the first Covid-19 lockdown. The opponents in that final were Grosvenor Grammar School, with the match being played as part of the finals' week at Playball, Stormont. The playing conditions were not very favourable, with heavy wind and rain but this did not deter either team from trying to play attractive passing hockey. Wallace started strongly in the first quarter with plenty of possession in the attacking '23', however numerous set pieces and open play shots were thwarted by the actions of a lively Grosvenor keeper.

Early in the second quarter, Grosvenor made the most of a counter attack by winning a penalty corner from which they took the lead. The Wallace girls rallied in response to exert more pressure in search of the equaliser and managed to convert from a penalty corner, courtesy of Anna Trimble who finished an acute angle shot adeptly at the right post. The half time score was



1-1 and despite dominating the third quarter we struggled to find a way past Grosvenor's fortress defence. Into the last quarter, the girls demonstrated their usual resilience and upped the performance. They stayed patient and it appeared increasingly likely that their hard work would pay off. Once again, the penalty corner practice proved valuable, with Anna Trimble on hand to score her second, from the same acute angle, for what proved to be the winning goal.

Final Score 2-1 Wallace.



In September, the 1st XI Super League kicked the school hockey calendar off. Results here are important in the seeding process for the main Senior Schools' Cup. We found ourselves in a strong group and failed to gain a seeded place this year, but watched with interest when BRA and FSL, top two in our section, dominated the annual Senior Schools' Cup competition, meeting in the main schools' final, where BRA prevailed. In October, the senior squad travelled to Glasgow to compete in the Topflight Tournament where they gained valuable experience against highly rated home nations teams. A battling encounter against VCB in the Cup 2nd round resulted in a 2-1 defeat and the same scoreline came back to haunt us in the quarter final of the plate in Londonderry against Foyle College. Inconsistency of performance dogged the squad over the course of the season and we exited both cup and plate competitions having not achieved our potential, but hard lessons were learned and will hopefully stand the 2021 squad in better stead.



The 3rd XI achieved some good results but missed out on goal difference to progress to the knockout stages of the Gibson Cup, finishing runners up in their group section. This team was completely changed from the previous season and showed the most improvement between September and March. A young 4th XI battled on a weekly basis against older and more experienced sides showing great determination and much potential for the future. Hopefully these tough match experiences will serve both squads well and we can continue to build on the strong foundation next season.

At junior level, the Under 14 squads demonstrated real improvement in their maturity of play and tactical awareness. The Under 14 A were narrowly beaten 2-1 in the junior cup by Royal School Dungannon and exited to Rainey in the plate with the B Squad showing pleasing progress in individual and team play over the course of the season. The Under 13s and Under 12s have a breadth of talent and show much potential for the future.

Several under 13s were selected to train with the under 14s as part of their development and this experience should be beneficial when they step up permanently next season. The under 12s had weekly Friday matches from November starting with 8 -a-side and transitioning to the full 11-a-side game from January.

A huge thanks must go to all of the coaching staff and umpires for the time, effort and enthusiasm that is evident on a weekly basis. Without them, none of this would be possible. We would like to wish all of our hockey leavers every success as they start new chapters further afield. They have contributed significantly to school hockey over their seven years and we hope that they continue to enjoy hockey in some capacity and retain fond memories of their playing days with the “Blue and White Army”.

Hockey Leavers 2020

1st XI: Erin Hamilton, Rebecca Ayerst, Kara McIlroy, Sarah Houston

2nd XI: Beth Campbell, Emily Hayes, Anna Trimble, Bethany Dumigan, Eve McMullan

Senior Hockey Club: Erin Kerr

Mrs J. Hinds

SENIOR BOYS HOCKEY

The senior boys hockey teams enjoyed another highly successful season with both 1st and 2nd XI's reaching finals of their respective cup competitions and continuing the high standards set by both teams in recent years.

Having won the domestic double in 2018/ 19, the 1st XI knew that they had a hard act to follow but performed magnificently to reach the final of the McCullough Cup in December and the semi final of the Burney Cup. Progress to the McCullough Cup final was smooth with excellent group stage wins at home to strong Sullivan Upper and Banbridge Academy teams followed by a resounding semi final win against Methody. Unfortunately a strong Friends team awaited in the December final and, despite a superb performance from goalkeeper Ben Cooke, missed chances at crucial times meant that we were unable to retain this particular cup.



A renewed focus after Christmas and a slight change of tactics towards a faster, more attacking style paid immediate dividends with five goals scored against both Bangor Grammar and a good Regent House side in the post Christmas Burney Cup.

Unfortunately we were again unable to defeat Friends who were our semi final opponents in what turned out to be the last hockey match played in Ulster before lockdown. Ben Clarke opened the scoring in the game and, despite a much improved performance, we were unable to defeat a very good schoolboy side.

Special credit must go to Year 14 leavers Oliver Patterson (Captain), Peter Milligan, Tim Curragh and Ben Clarke who led the team superbly and were excellent role models for the younger players. They have all contributed fully to hockey during their time at school and leave with happy memories and winners medals from the previous year's endeavour.



The 2nd XI, under Mr Armstrong's enthusiastic leadership, continued the success of recent teams and were very unfortunate to have their season curtailed before having the opportunity to play in the Prior Shield final and Dowdall Cup semi final which they had reached before lockdown. Undoubtedly the highlight of their season was the Prior Shield semi final win away to Banbridge Academy where they showed tremendous resilience and character to withstand ferocious pressure from the home side. They were also able to consistently take their chances at crucial times in games which was another key to their success. Both the final and semi final were to be against local rivals Friends and it is disappointing that they were never completed, especially for Year 14 captain Adam Duff, another superb servant of Wallace hockey during his time at school.

As always, a number of our players made representative teams with Year 12 pupils Paddy Watson and Daniel McElhinney winning the September Inter-pros with the Ulster Under 16s and Year 13 pupils Max Taylor and Ben Cooke playing for the Ulster under 18s. Ben's first representative selection was well deserved after his superb season the year before, whilst Daniel went on to play for the Irish under 16s against England at Lilleshall.



Finally, I wish to thank all players who represented our senior teams during the season and all our supporters who followed the teams through thick and thin. Thanks also go to our senior team sponsors Oasis Travel and McDonalds, whilst none of this would be possible without the continued dedication and support of Mr Armstrong, Mr Simpson, Mr McKnight and Mr Harper.

Mr G. Kidd

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RESPECT

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